



DAILY INFORMATION BULLETIN

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 1975

<u>CONTENTS</u>	<u>PAGE NO.</u>
GOVERNMENT SETS UP CO-ORDINATING COMMITTEE FOR PROMOTION OF OVERSEAS INDUSTRIAL INVESTMENT	1
LAND SALES FORECAST FOR NEXT SIX MONTHS	2
JOINT UNIVERSITIES' COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS 4,701 STUDENTS TO RECEIVE GOVERNMENT GRANTS	3
'MANAGEMENT IN ACTION' - NEW RADIO HONG KONG PANEL DISCUSSIONS PROGRAMME	4
AN AMBULANCE TO STATION FULL TIME AT SAI KUNG	5
WATER CUTS	5
EMPLOYMENT OF DISABLED PICKED UP IN AUGUST	6

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 1975.

- 1 -

CO-ORDINATING COMMITTEE SET UP FOR PROMOTION OF
OVERSEAS INDUSTRIAL INVESTMENT
* * * * *

THE GOVERNMENT HAS ESTABLISHED A SPECIAL COMMITTEE TO COORDINATE THE PROMOTION OF OVERSEAS INDUSTRIAL INVESTMENT IN HONG KONG.

THE CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMITTEE -- TO BE NAMED THE COORDINATING COMMITTEE ON INDUSTRIAL INVESTMENT PROMOTION WILL BE THE SECRETARY FOR ECONOMIC SERVICES -- MR. DEREK JONES. THE OTHER MEMBERS ARE THE DIRECTOR OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY, AND THE CHAIRMEN OF THE TRADE DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL AND THE HONG KONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE. THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS OF THE TDC AND THE HKGCC WILL ALSO NORMALLY ATTEND THE COMMITTEE'S MEETINGS.

A GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN SAID TODAY THAT, IN VIEW OF THE INCREASING IMPORTANCE OF THE PROMOTION OF OVERSEAS INVESTMENT FOR THE FUTURE DEVELOPMENT OF INDUSTRY IN HONG KONG, THE TIME HAD COME FOR A REDEFINITION OF THE ROLES OF THE MAIN BODIES AT PRESENT CONCERNED IN THIS FIELD -- THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY, THE TDC AND THE HONG KONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

THE NEW COMMITTEE WILL ADVISE THE GOVERNOR ON ALL ASPECTS OF POLICY ON INDUSTRIAL INVESTMENT PROMOTION BOTH WITHIN AND OUTSIDE HONG KONG. IT WILL ALSO COORDINATE THE OVERSEAS INVESTMENT PROMOTION ACTIVITIES OF THE THREE ORGANISATIONS TO MAXIMISE THEIR JOINT EFFORTS AND AGREE, WHERE NECESSARY, ON THE USE OF THE TRADE DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL'S OVERSEAS FACILITIES BY EITHER OF THE OTHER ORGANISATIONS FOR SPECIFIC PROMOTIONAL PROJECTS.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID IT HAD BEEN AGREED THAT EACH ORGANISATION SHOULD AT THE SAME TIME CONTINUE TO PROMOTE OVERSEAS INDUSTRIAL INVESTMENT IN HONG KONG WITH ITS OWN RESOURCES AND USING SUCH TECHNIQUES AS IT THINKS FIT.

WHEN EITHER THE TDC OR THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE HAS MADE A SUCCESSFUL CONTACT OVERSEAS THEY WILL REFER THEM TO THE COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY DEPARTMENT. THE DEPARTMENT WILL THEN ADVISE AND ASSIST THE INVESTOR REGARDING LOCAL CONSIDERATIONS IN HONG KONG INVOLVING THE GOVERNMENT, INCLUDING THE AVAILABILITY OF LAND.

THE FIRST MEETING OF THE CO-ORDINATING COMMITTEE IS EXPECTED TO BE HELD SHORTLY.

----- 0 -----

/2

LAND SALES FORECAST FOR NEXT SIX MONTHS

* * * * *

SEVENTEEN LOTS OF CROWN LAND - COMPRISING ONE SITE FOR A MULTI-STOREY CAR PARK WITH RESIDENTIAL UNITS ABOVE, FIVE NON-INDUSTRIAL SITES, SIX PRIVATE RESIDENTIAL SITES AND FIVE INDUSTRIAL SITES - WILL BE PUT UP FOR SALE DURING THE NEXT SIX MONTHS.

THIS WAS ANNOUNCED TODAY BY THE DIRECTOR OF LANDS AND SURVEY IN HIS LAND SALES FORECAST FOR THE SIX-MONTH PERIOD BETWEEN OCTOBER 1, 1975 AND MARCH 31, 1976.

THE TOTAL AREA OF LAND OFFERED FOR SALE AMOUNTS TO ABOUT 266,642 SQUARE FEET.

THE MULTI-STOREY CAR PARK SITE TO BE AUCTIONED IS SITUATED AT WELFARE ROAD, ABERDEEN. PROVISION HAS TO BE MADE FOR NOT LESS THAN 500 CAR PARKING SPACES ON THIS SITE AND RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT MAY BE PERMITTED ABOVE THE CAR PARK.

THE TOTAL AREA OF RESIDENTIAL LAND TO BE OFFERED FOR SALE AMOUNTS TO SOME 80,310 SQUARE FEET INCLUDING THREE SITES IN THE CHUNG HOM KOK AND TAI TAM ROAD AREAS, TWO AT CHAI WAN AND ONE AT BROADCAST DRIVE, KOWLOON.

FOUR OF THE FIVE NON-INDUSTRIAL SITES ARE SITUATED AT HOLLYWOOD ROAD AND HAVE A TOTAL AREA OF 10,950 SQUARE FEET. THE REMAINING ONE, OF 782 SQUARE FEET, IS SITUATED AT TEMPLE STREET.

OF THE FIVE INDUSTRIAL SITES, TWO ARE SITUATED AT AH KUNG NGAM WITH A TOTAL AREA OF 18,600 SQUARE FEET AND THE REMAINING THREE SITES WITH A TOTAL AREA OF 64,000 SQUARE FEET AT SZE SHAN STREET.

PARTICULARS OF THE LAND SALES FORECAST TOGETHER WITH PLANS SHOWING THE LOCATION OF THE LOTS TO BE OFFERED FOR SALE MAY BE INSPECTED AT THE CROWN LANDS AND SURVEY OFFICES ON BOTH SIDES OF THE HARBOUR. THEY MAY ALSO BE INSPECTED AT PUBLIC ENQUIRY SUB-OFFICE, CENTRAL GOVERNMENT OFFICES, WEST WING- ALL CITY DISTRICT OFFICES- THE NEW TERRITORIES ADMINISTRATION HEAD-QUARTERS AT TAI PO ROAD AND THE COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY DEPARTMENT AT CONNAUGHT ROAD CENTRAL.

COPIES OF THE FORECAST MAY BE OBTAINED FREE OF CHARGE BY CALLING AT ANY OF THE ABOVE OFFICES OR BY WRITTEN REQUEST TO THE CROWN LANDS AND SURVEY OFFICE.

THE SALE DATES FOR EACH LOT WILL BE NOTIFIED IN THE GOVERNMENT GAZETTE AND ADVERTISED IN ENGLISH AND CHINESE NEWSPAPERS.

AT THE TIME OF ADVERTISING, DETAILED CONDITIONS OF SALE AND SALE PLANS WILL BE AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC AND THESE MAY BE OBTAINED AT THE CROWN LANDS AND SURVEY OFFICES OR AT THE PUBLIC ENQUIRY SUB-OFFICE, CENTRAL GOVERNMENT OFFICES, WEST WING.

4,701 UNIVERSITY STUDENTS TO RECEIVE GOVERNMENT GRANTS
* * * * *

THE JOINT UNIVERSITIES' COMMITTEE, WHICH ADMINISTERS THE GOVERNMENT SCHEME ON STUDENT FINANCE, HAS RECOMMENDED 4,701 STUDENTS TO RECEIVE GOVERNMENT FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR THE ACADEMIC YEAR 1975/76.

THE COMMITTEE HAS RECEIVED A TOTAL OF 7,580 APPLICATIONS FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE. OF THESE, 2,728 WERE MADE BY THOSE WHO EVENTUALLY FAILED TO GAIN ADMISSION TO EITHER UNIVERSITY AND WERE THEREFORE NOT CONSIDERED FURTHER. THE REMAINING 4,852 APPLICATIONS WERE RECEIVED FROM PROSPECTIVE UNIVERSITY STUDENTS AS WELL AS FROM CURRENT UNDERGRADUATE, POSTGRADUATE AND OTHER STUDENTS.

THE JOINT UNIVERSITIES' COMMITTEE HAS NOW EXAMINED AND PROCESSED THESE 4,852 APPLICATIONS ON THE GROUNDS OF FINANCIAL NEED AND HAS RECOMMENDED TO THE GOVERNMENT THAT 4,701 APPLICANTS SHOULD OBTAIN FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE IN THE FORM OF GOVERNMENT INTEREST-FREE LOANS ON A SCALE RANGING FROM ABOUT \$700 UP TO \$4,000.

MANY OF THESE APPLICANTS HAVE ALSO BEEN RECOMMENDED FOR THE AWARD OF A GOVERNMENT GRANT ON A SCALE RANGING UP TO \$2,620.

THE COMMITTEE IS IN THE PROCESS OF NOTIFYING ALL APPLICANTS OF THE RESULTS OF THEIR APPLICATIONS.

THE GOVERNMENT GRANT IS AIMED AT MEETING TUITION FEES AND IN SOME CASES CERTAIN UNAVOIDABLE EXPENSES SUCH AS BOOKS, STATIONERY AND EQUIPMENT. THE PORTION OF GRANT WHICH COVERS TUITION FEES WILL BE PAID DIRECTLY TO THE UNIVERSITY BY THE GOVERNMENT. THE STUDENTS WHO GET A FURTHER GRANT FOR OTHER EXPENSES AND WHO HAVE GIVEN THEIR SAVINGS ACCOUNTS NUMBERS TO THE COMMITTEE WILL HAVE THE FURTHER GRANT CREDITED TO THEIR RESPECTIVE ACCOUNTS. HOWEVER, THOSE WHO HAVE NOT DONE SO WILL HAVE TO CALL IN PERSON AND COLLECT IT AT THE GOVERNMENT TREASURY ON THE GROUND FLOOR OF THE WEST WING OF THE CENTRAL GOVERNMENT OFFICES, ICE HOUSE STREET, HONG KONG. PAYMENT OF THIS PORTION OF GRANT WILL BE MADE IN THE THIRD WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 1975.

PAYMENTS OF INTEREST-FREE LOANS WHICH ARE GENERALLY INTENDED TO ASSIST THE STUDENTS IN MEETING THEIR LIVING EXPENSES WILL ALSO BE MADE IN TWO INSTALMENTS (THE FIRST INSTALMENT IN OCTOBER 1975 AND THE SECOND IN JANUARY 1976). THESE STUDENTS WHO HAVE GIVEN THEIR SAVINGS ACCOUNTS NUMBERS WILL HAVE THE LOANS CREDITED TO THEIR RESPECTIVE SAVINGS ACCOUNTS WHILST THOSE WHO HAVE NOT WILL HAVE TO CALL PERSONALLY AT THE GOVERNMENT TREASURY TO COLLECT THEIR SHARES IN SPECIFIED PERIODS WHICH HAVE ALSO BEEN MADE KNOWN TO THEM.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 1975

- 4 -

'MANAGEMENT IN ACTION' — NEW RHK PROGRAMME

* * * * *

A NEW PROGRAMME CALLED 'MANAGEMENT IN ACTION' WILL BE PUT ON THE AIR BY RADIO HONG KONG TOMORROW (THURSDAY) NIGHT AT 7 P.M.

THIS IS A 13-PART SERIES OF PANEL DISCUSSIONS FEATURING STAFF AND MEMBERS OF THE HONG KONG MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION. THE FIRST PROGRAMME TOMORROW WILL DEAL WITH BUYING AND SELLING AND THE PANEL OF FOUR WILL BE CHAIRED BY MR. JOHN HUNG.

THE SERIES WILL BE GOING OUT ON RHK3 ON THURSDAY NIGHTS AND REPEAT BROADCAST ON SATURDAYS AT 2 P.M.

THE DIRECTOR OF BROADCASTING, MR. JAMES HAWTHORNE, SAID THE NEW SERIES HAD BEEN DEVISED IN LINE WITH RHK'S POLICY OF CONTINUOUSLY UPGRADING AND EXPANDING ITS CURRENT AFFAIRS OUTPUT.

+MANAGEMENT IS, INDEED, EVERYBODY'S BUSINESS,+ HE SAID.

MR. HAWTHORNE SAID THE NEW SERIES REPRESENTED A CHALLENGE TO BOTH THE MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION AND RADIO HONG KONG BECAUSE IT WAS THE FIRST TIME PROGRAMMES OF THIS SORT HAD BEEN PRODUCED USING ENTIRELY LOCAL TALENT.

HE SAID THAT BOTH THE PRODUCERS AND PARTICIPANTS HAD NEEDED TO EVOLVE TECHNIQUES WHICH WOULD ENSURE THE MOST EFFECTIVE PRESENTATION POSSIBLE. DESPITE THE PROBLEMS INVOLVED, THEY HAD PUT TOGETHER A SERIES OF INTERNATIONAL QUALITY WHICH WOULD APPEAL TO LAYMEN AS WELL AS TO PROFESSIONAL MEN AND WOMEN.

MR. HAWTHORNE EMPHASISED THAT THE WIDE-RANGING APPEAL OF THE NEW SERIES REPRESENTED A CONSIDERABLE STEP FORWARD FOR LOCAL BROADCASTING. HE SAID THAT WITH DIRECT COMPETITION FROM TELEVISION, RADIO HAD NEEDED TO RETHINK ITS ROLE IN RECENT YEARS AND EVALUATE THE AREAS IN WHICH IT COULD FUNCTION MOST USEFULLY AND EFFECTIVELY. THE RESULTS OF THIS COULD ALSO BE SEEN IN RHK'S OTHER CURRENT AFFAIRS PROGRAMMES, 'NEWS FOCUS' AND 'INSIGHT'.

+A FEW YEARS AGO, NO ONE WOULD HAVE THOUGHT IT POSSIBLE FOR A RADIO STATION TO PRODUCE STIMULATING AND INFORMATIVE FEATURES GEARED TO THE LAYMAN ON SUCH THEORETICALLY UNAPPEALING SUBJECTS AS COMPUTER SCIENCE AND OPERATIONS RESEARCH, BUT WE ARE DOING IT, AND OUR RATINGS SHOW THE LAYMAN IS APPRECIATING OUR WORK,+ MR. HAWTHORNE SAID.

- - - - 0 - - - -

/5

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 1975

- 5 -

AN AMBULANCE TO STATION FULL TIME AT SAI KUNG

THE AMBULANCE COMMAND OF THE FIRE SERVICES DEPARTMENT IS TO STATION AN AMBULANCE PERMANENTLY AT SAI KUNG FIRE STATION FOR THE USE OF RESIDENTS AND VISITORS TO THE PENINSULA WITH EFFECT FROM TOMORROW (THURSDAY).

PREVIOUSLY, AN AMBULANCE WAS POSTED FULL-TIME IN THE AREA ONLY AT WEEK-ENDS AND ON PUBLIC HOLIDAYS.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE FIRE SERVICES DEPARTMENT SAID THE RECENT COMMISSIONING OF FIVE NEW AMBULANCES HAD MADE POSSIBLE THE STATIONING OF ONE IN SAI KUNG.

+IN THE PAST, BETWEEN 30 AND 60 CALLS HAD BEEN RECEIVED EACH MONTH, DEPENDING ON THE TIME OF YEAR, AND IT IS EXPECTED THAT THE FIGURE WOULD RISE ONCE THE AVAILABILITY OF THE NEW SERVICE BECAME KNOWN,+ HE ADDED.

THE AMBULANCE WILL BE CREWED BY A DRIVER, A SUPERVISOR AND AN ATTENDANT, AND IT HAS THE SAME FACILITIES AS OTHER AMBULANCES.

THE SPOKESMAN SAID ANYONE IN THE SAI KUNG AREA REQUIRING AN AMBULANCE SHOULD CALL THE FIRE STATION DIRECT OR USE THE +999+ EMERGENCY CALL SYSTEM.

----- 0 -----

WATER CUTS

A NUMBER OF PREMISES IN KWUN TONG, TSIM SHA TSUI AND IN WESTERN DISTRICT WILL BE WITHOUT WATER FOR A FEW HOURS ON FRIDAY AND SATURDAY WHEN TESTS FOR LEAKAGE WILL BE CARRIED OUT.

IN KWUN TONG, THE TEMPORARY STOPPAGE WILL BE FROM 1 A.M. TO 6 A.M. ON FRIDAY (SEPTEMBER 12) AND WILL AFFECT PREMISES BOUNDED BY KWUN TONG ROAD, TSUI PING ROAD AND KAI LAM ROAD. ALSO AFFECTED WILL BE BLOCKS 20-24 OF KWUN TONG (TSUI PING ROAD) ESTATE, KWUN TONG SWIMMING POOL AND OVERSEAS TEXTILES LTD.

IN TSIM SHA TSUI, PREMISES BOUNDED BY KIMBERLEY ROAD, OBSERVATORY ROAD, CHATHAM ROAD, CAMERON ROAD AND NATHAN ROAD WILL BE WITHOUT WATER BETWEEN 1 A.M. AND 6 A.M. ON SATURDAY (SEPTEMBER 13).

THE TEMPORARY STOPPAGE IN WESTERN DISTRICT ON SATURDAY MORNING WILL AFFECT PREMISES BOUNDED BY WESTERN STREET, CONNAUGHT ROAD WEST, PRAYA, QUEEN'S ROAD WEST, SOUTH LANE, HILL ROAD AND DES VOEUX ROAD WEST.

----- 0 -----

/6

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 1975

- 6 -

EMPLOYMENT OF DISABLED PICKED UP LAST MONTH

EMPLOYMENT OF DISABLED PEOPLE PICKED UP LAST MONTH AND THE JOB PLACEMENT UNIT OF THE SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT FOUND WORK FOR 15 OF THEM, NEARLY DOUBLE THAT FOR THE PREVIOUS MONTH.

MOST OF THEM WERE EMPLOYED BY ATLAS ELECTRONICS LTD. INCLUDING TWO BLIND WHO WERE TAKEN ON AS PRESS MACHINE OPERATORS.

THE OTHERS, SOME OF THEM DEAF, CRIPPLED AND MENTALLY ILL ARE NOW WORKING IN DIFFERENT TYPES OF JOBS SUCH AS MACHINE SEWING WORKERS, CLEANSING WORKERS AND PRESS MACHINE OPERATORS.

OF THE 15, TWO WERE EMPLOYED ON A PIECE-RATE BASIS AND FOUR ON DAILY RATES RANGING FROM \$16 TO \$23. THE SALARY OF THE OTHER NINE VARIES BETWEEN \$300 AND \$474 A MONTH.

MR. CHAN SHUI-WING, OFFICER-IN-CHARGE OF THE JOB PLACEMENT UNIT, SAID HE HOPED THIS ENCOURAGING TREND OF MORE JOB OPPORTUNITIES BECOMING AVAILABLE FOR THE DISABLED WOULD CONTINUE.

----- 0 -----